

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON BAVARIA UNIT 28130 APO AE 09114-8130

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MEMORANDUM FOR All USAG Bavaria Military and Civilian Personnel

SUBJECT: USAG Bavaria Policy Memorandum #7, Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 608-18, The Army Family Advocacy Program.
- b. DoD Instruction 6400.01, Family Advocacy Program.
- c. Memorandum, Deputy Secretary of Defense, 22 January 2006, subject: Restricted Reporting Policy for Incidents of Domestic Abuse (http://www.ncdsv.org/images/RestrictedReportingPolicyIncidentDA.pdf).
 - d. AR 27-10, Military Justice.
 - e. AR 190-30, Military Police Investigations.
- 2. The FAP is a partnership with command and community for the prevention of child and spouse abuse. The FAP components are:
- a. Reporting Point of Contact. The Reporting Point of Contact (RPOC) at USAG Bavaria is the Military Police (MP). All members of the USAG Bavaria community are encouraged to immediately make reports of suspected child abuse to the RPOC. All commanders are mandated child abuse and domestic violence reporters and must immediately report known and suspected child and spouse abuse to the RPOC.
- b. Victim safety. A safety plan is coordinated with the victim and helping parties. A Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate (DAVA) is additionally on call 24-7 within USAG Bavaria to provide support to victims of spouse abuse utilizing provisions of reference 1c listed above, which may permit an adult victim of abuse to choose a restricted reporting option (if not reported to command/law enforcement). DAVA may be contact at +49 1622-96-0661.
- c. The rights of victims and accused. It is the policy of this Command that all alleged victims and accused are afforded their rights under law in accordance with (IAW) applicable regulations. The rights of victims may be located in AR 27-10. The rights of the accused may be located in AR 190-30.

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- d. Command support. All commanders are required to receive a mandatory ACS-FAP briefing within 90 days before or after assumption of command. Additionally, ACS-FAP is required to provide an annual education brief for all Soldiers related to the dynamics of spouse and child abuse and the availability of prevention and treatment services. Contact the Army Community Service (ACS) FAP manager, located in USAG Bavaria, Rose Barracks at DSN: 476-2650.
- e. Accountability. Intervention is most effective when Service members and families are committed to participating in evaluation and treatment. Each unit commander is responsible for attending the Case Review Committee (CRC) when their Soldier's case is presented, for safety plan implementation, and for providing their Soldiers the time necessary for completing treatment recommendations made by the CRC.
- 3. ACS- FAP provides the following resources to assist commanders:
- a. New Parent Support Program (NPSP) for expecting parents and families with children three and under. The Service member is strongly encouraged to participate in this program with their spouse. Contact NPSP at ACS.
- b. Several services are available to help Service members and spouses to address marriage and relationship issues, stress and anxiety, depression, grief and loss, and daily life issues. Military Family Life Consultants (MFLC) are available at ACS to be confidentially connected. FAP also has various classes, playgroups, and support groups available to support the needs of the community members. Contact FAP-M at ACS.
- c. Financial Readiness Program (FRP) provides classes and individual counseling for all finance-related issues. Contact FRP manager at ACS.
- 4. POC for this policy is the FAP manager, USAG Bavaria, DSN 476-2650 or commercial: +49 09662-83-2650.

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